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Bark Beetle Maintenance Control Projects

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On Ken Swain's trip of August 8, John Gray, California Division of Forestry at Riverside met with him and Jack Reveal. They had an opportunity to observe the private land within the boundaries of Descanso District's insect-maintenance control project.

A considerable number of abandoned flatheaded borer trees were observed on the private land. In past years the District has normally been able to treat the trees on private land. Last spring because of the large number of infested trees within the project most of the trees on private land were not treated. This lack of treatment on private land weakens the effectiveness of treatment on National Forest land.

Recommendation number 2 of the Laguna Mountain Biological Evaluation (January) suggests investigating the possibility of initiating a cooperative insect control project. The California Division of Forestry is in agreement with the necessity for such a project. John Gray and Jack Reveal are going to follow through on exploring the possibilities of establishing a cooperative project.

Please keep us informed on the progress of this important aspect of your insect control program.

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